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The amendment filed on March 26, 2004 is considered non-compliant because it fails to meet the requirements of 37 CFR § 1.121, as amended on June 30, 2003 (see *68 Fed. Reg. 38611*, Jun. 30, 2003). In order for the amendment to be compliant, correction of the following item(s) is required. **Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment must be resubmitted (in its entirety), e.g., the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment must be re-submitted.** 37 CFR § 1.121(h).

The amendment is non-compliant because the "Listing of Claims" is not a complete listing of all of the claims. Additionally, each claim has not been provided with the proper status identifier, and as such, the individual status of each claim cannot be identified. Furthermore, each section of the amendment document (e.g., Specification Amendments, Claim Amendments, and Remarks) must begin on a separate sheet to facilitate the process of separately indexing and scanning each section of the amendment document for placement in the image file wrapper.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Christina Chan can be reached on (571) 272-0841. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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